

PROGRESSIVE NOT LIKELY ON CABINET

Party Split on Big Issues Retards Harding.

LEAGUE VITAL QUESTION

Powerful Group Wants Root as Secretary of State, but McCormick, Johnson in Way.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—Some of the more recent visitors to Marion have given expression to an almost truculent feeling that in the tentative cabinet slate Senator Harding does not show as much consideration for the progressive factor as he did in the campaign. None of the six or seven men now accepted as final were identified with the progressive party.

The weakness of the progressives is that they are not united. If the progressives could agree on a list of candidates for the cabinet, they could undoubtedly get one, two or three posts. But the lineup which the progressives held five to eight years ago on domestic progressive issues has been cut across at right angles and otherwise thrown into chaos by late issues hanging with foreign relations.

Hoover Issue Complicated.

The two senators who were officially connected with the progressive party, Johnson of California and McCormick of Illinois, are just now preoccupied with old progressive issues, but with implacable opposition to the league of nations or any variations of it.

Farmers Hoover's Enemies.

And if Harding were willing to disregard the promise of the powerful senator from Hoover's own state, there are large numbers of farmers from those western states, who were the backbone of the progressive party, who bitterly oppose Hoover because of what they take as unfair treatment of their interest by Hoover's food administration. The example, Henry C. Wallace, the Des Moines farmer-editor who is practically certain to be in the cabinet himself, has been sharply critical of Hoover in his paper.

Another appointment which would be acceptable to a large number of progressives is that of Charles Wood, but again, Senator Johnson who ran for vice-president on the progressive ticket with Roosevelt for president, represents General Wood on his attempt last spring to capture the presidential nomination on the theory that he was the true heir to Roosevelt.

One Group for Root.

A powerful group of progressive leaders have wanted that the state secretary of state but Senators Johnson and McCormick would regard that appointment as an anathema.

These two senators, based on their present position on foreign relations, would like Knox for secretary of state, although in the old progressive lineup on domestic economic issues Knox was of the inner circle of supporters.

Every Section Wants One.

Senator Harding's way of going about his cabinet-making has, among its advantages, the disadvantage of causing just this kind of factional protest to arise. Not only are the progressives active but many other groups as well. Strong representations have been made that the south should receive an appointment, that the Pacific Coast should receive one and that the democrats should receive one. Some of the advocates behind certain names rests on the theory that the cabinet should include a Jew.

Harding has been strongly urged to appoint someone who is a catholic, the urging coming from party leaders who are not themselves catholics.

Their argument, based on the party policy. After the election, it turned out that not only did the Irish catholic vote for Harding, but also in New York city and elsewhere, quite generally registered as republicans, which is a much more significant thing than merely voting for Harding. The republican strategist said this means the Irish catholic, after half a century at anchor in the democratic party, have determined to try the republicans awhile, and they urged that Harding should give them a sign of welcome by putting one of them in the cabinet.

Some Embarrassments Met.

If Harding should decide to follow this advice, the field in which it would be most easy to find a man who is first of all a leader and also an Irish catholic, would be in the selection of a secretary of labor. Harding by now has got all the benefits to be had from this sort of widespread discussion of trial balloons for the cabinet, and has experienced some unexpected embarrassments that attended.

The trouble with it is that the discussion it provokes lays emphasis not on ability but on availability. Potential names are discussed in terms of expediency.

From now on Harding may be expected to tend toward the practices of his predecessors in cabinet making. He has said that he would follow the advice of those who declared he should announce the state and treasury appointments early, but the balance of the arrangements will probably be reserved until March 4. There may be one or two surprises in the final list.

In connection with Wilson's cabinet making these two incidents happened: On March 4, two leading citizens of St. Louis, David R. Francis and Franklin Lane rode together to Washington and gossiped about politics on the way. The next day, March 5, Mr. Francis read the name of Mr. Houston in the newly announced cabinet. That was the first that Mr.

Francis or any other outsiders knew about it, and two weeks before Franklin Lane actually sat in Wilson's cabinet the two men had never met.

BEND MILL STARTS AGAIN

Overhauling of Equipment Completed—110 Men on One Shift.

BEND, Or., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—The Brooks-Scanlon Lumber company resumed production today following completion of overhauling equipment and also began logging at camp No. 1, where operations were suspended before closing of the plant here. There are now 110 employed on the one shift at the mill, including teamsters.

A feature of the system used by the Brooks-Scanlon Lumber company is the alternating of the men on the night and day shifts. While only shift production is going on, this splits up the employment and allows part-time work for double the number of men actually required at the plant.

Obituary.

Robert W. Kirkham, for 40 years an employee in Portland of the Southern Pacific railroad and for nearly 50 years a resident of Portland, died yesterday at the age of 74 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ruth Dempsey, 4329 Forty-fifth street. Mr. Kirkham was born in England and came to this country as a young man.

Definite funeral arrangements will be announced today, but it is expected services will be held Friday at the East Side funeral parlors. He is survived by relatives and the widow and the children—Peter Kirkham, Mrs. Ellen Miller, Mrs. Ruth Dempsey, Mrs. Eva Kirkham, Mrs. Bertha Mackay and James Monto, all of Portland.

OREGON CITY, Or., Jan. 18.—(Special.)

Charles Cole, 94, who had made his home at the residence of Judge and Mrs. Harvey Cross, at Gladstone, for about 20 years, died at the Cross home this morning. So far as known, Mr. Cole leaves no relatives. He was born in Tennessee and came to Oregon in 1880, settling on a homestead near Bull Run. The funeral will be held Wednesday, with interment in Mountain View cemetery.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 18.—(Special.)

The sons and sons-in-law Mrs. J. Peery, prominent Albany woman and one of Oregon's oldest native daughters, who died last week while visiting at the home of her son, C. C. Peery, in Portland, were pallbearers at the funeral services held at the Fort Miller chapel here Sunday afternoon. They are E. C. Peery of Seaside, C. C. Peery of Portland, Wilson K. Peery of Portland, W. L. Jackson of Albany, Dr. E. W. Hoffman of McMinnville, and J. E. Christensen of Gresham.

FOSSIL, Or., Jan. 18.—(Special.)

Mrs. Marion Osborn, 60, of Richmond, Wheeler, county, Or., died Friday, January 14, of smallpox and pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Osborn were pioneers of Wheeler county, coming here from Tennessee. The funeral was held at Richmond Sunday. The services were conducted by Mrs. R. N. Donnelly. The widow and six children are living: Hobart of Hood River, Glenn, Clyde and Roy of Richmond, Mrs. Emma Winebarger of Mitchell and Mrs. Louis Toney, also of Mitchell.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 18.—(Special.)

Robert B. Brinson, proprietor of a local feed barn, died at his home here yesterday. He was 55 years old and had been a resident of Oregon the last five years, residing on a farm north of Albany until about two years ago when he moved into this city. Mr. Brinson was a native of Indiana and had resided in Colorado, Washington and Kansas before coming to Oregon. He is survived by his widow and four sons: Walter Brinson, Thomas J. Brinson, Robert L. Brinson and Harold B. Brinson, all of whom reside in or near Albany.

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FIRST ALIEN LAND MEASURE IS DEAD

Idaho Senate Indefinitely Postpones Consideration.

TEXT OF BILL DEFECTIVE

Prison Terms for Joyriders Who Steal Automobiles—Marriage With Orientals Prohibited.

BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 18.—(Special.)—The first alien land bill introduced in the senate died today. It was killed by indefinite postponement on recommendation of the judiciary committee because it was improperly drawn. In making the recommendation for postponement, Senator Whitcomb, president pro tempore, reported that the committee had no objections to the bill other than it was improperly framed and would not serve to remedy the condition sought.

Senator Hagedorn of Teton, said he was anxious to support an alien land bill, and hoped one would be produced which would cover the ground.

Senator Burke, the one ex-service man in the senate, declared he intended to vote against the measure for the reason that he did not think it drastic enough.

Senator Paddock asked the chairman of the committee if there was any reason, whatever, for reporting indefinite postponement of the measure, except that it was improperly drawn and was advised that there was none.

Author of Bill Concerned.

Senator Thompson, author of the bill, spoke briefly, stating he was going to support the motion for indefinite postponement as he was now convinced the bill as drawn did not meet the requirements. He explained that it had been drawn for him by an attorney and he believed when he introduced it that it was all right. In supporting the motion for postponement he said he was not voting against the principle as he hoped a stronger measure would result.

Three bills were introduced, one by Burke, amending the state game laws so as to permit shooting of Chinese pheasants in Jerome county.

Senate bill No. 49, by King, also an amendment measure, providing for admittance to the soldiers' home of all honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, marines and nurses of the great war with Germany who did not refuse military duty on account of being a conscientious objector.

Two Measures Are Passed.

Tarrish's measure to make joyriders who take automobiles without the owner's consent, liable to imprisonment in the penitentiary was passed by the house without debate or amendment.

Appointing Power Broadened.

A third educational bill would amend the statute relating to the appointment of members of the state board of education by the governor. For several years a proviso has existed in the statutes that no former student, instructor or agent of any of the higher educational institutions could become one of the state board.

RED CROSS PLANS SAVING

Proposed Reorganization to Cut Expenses \$500,000.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Plans are under consideration for the reorganization of the 15 physical divisions of

the American Red Cross in the United States, it was learned today. At a meeting of the central committee to be held soon, proposals will be made that the country be redivided into not more than six or seven main divisions.

Park Site Decided to Bend.

BEND, Or., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—Shelvin memorial park, the gift of the Shelvin-Hixon company to the city of Bend, is now formally recorded as the property of the municipality with the filing of the deed, signed by P. P. Hixon, as president and R. W. Wetmore as secretary. The deed, with map of the property in Tumaño canyon, more than 350 acres in extent, was placed on record with the county clerk by Mayor Glison.

Episcopals to Convene.

The annual convention of the Episcopal diocese of Oregon will take place in Portland January 26 and 27. The annual dinner of the laymen will be held in the Chamber of Commerce dining room Wednesday evening, January 26.

Alleged Auto Thief Caught.

W. H. Eddy, wanted in Portland on a charge of larceny by bailer, was arrested in Medford yesterday, according to word received by Sheriff Hurlburt. He is accused of making away with an automobile which had not been paid for.

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into law. Whatever may be thought of the white girl who so far forgets herself as to marry a man of a yellow race, we must remember that the worst effects of such a union falls upon the offspring, which becomes an outcast and has no resort but to crime.

House bills Nos. 52 to 62, inclusive, were introduced. Among them were several of more than ordinary importance. The committee on education presented one measure that would fix by statute the salaries of the heads of the state educational institutions, which heretofore have been fixed by the state board of education. Another education committee bill would authorize independent school districts to use a small part of their funds for Americanization education and for vocational rehabilitation of adults injured in the military service or in industry. This is a department measure, advocated by the American Legion and many civic organizations.

House bill No. 61, introduced Tuesday, would do away with this disqualification.

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